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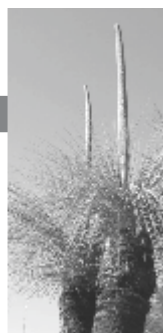
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Open Mic Night

After a false start, which resulted in the date being changed, the Open Mic Night was a huge success. The evening was enjoyed by many locals, who came out to enjoy the fine music and food. Delicious curries were available for all to purchase and were a great success. We were graced with performances by seasoned professional Ruben and Olivia De Melo. Joining them were local band Euro Katz and The Blues Choppers. Songs were even performed by our very own Carey and Eric and friends.

Swap Meet

With good weather on Sunday 23rd April, sellers set up to sell their wares. Many buyers came along to find a bargain and support this local event. Thank you to the volunteers who make this possible and to the community for supporting the event by coming along.

Bookings

Do you have a special celebration/event to plan?

The Pavilion provides an air-conditioned, polished floorboards and floor to ceiling window space that overlooks the green oval and bushland. It comfortably seats 100 people, with a kitchen and bar area available for hire. For more information or booking enquires email Carey Stewart - secretary@gidgegannuprecclub.com.au.

Coming Events

**Friday Evenings bar
Opened every week
from 6pm**

In January of this year Allan Lockwood a legend of our club passed away.

The club would like to acknowledge the enormous contribution Allan provided to our club over 44 years of unbroken service as a player and committee man from 1979 to 2022.

Allan was the glue that held the club together and all the players who have played for the club over those 44 years would like to thank him for his hard work and service to our football club.

Season 2023 has started with the club recording 5 wins from our first five games before a big loss to the top team Pickering Brook.

The club will hold its annual Quiz night on Friday night 7th July, 7pm at the Gidgegannup Recreation Centre.

The club would like to thank our sponsors for their continued support.

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Gidge Gossips

By Sally Block

It turns very fast from Autumn into winter. The leaves have all turned colour and have been falling steadily. It is a beautiful time of the year. The property turned green very fast particularly on the lower paddocks near the brooks but now we need some follow up rains to get the pasture (what there is of it) going. The cows think it is wonderful as they are getting a very large oaten round bale every other day. Really good rolls that run out beautifully. The sheep just like their weekly lupin sweeties.

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The horses are getting their winter coats and this is really a peaceful time. I haven't done much gardening as seem to have been tied to a computer for the last two months getting the Field Day off the ground. Only a couple of days to go now and the forecast is fine. A record number of exhibitors and it should be a great day for all.

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I had to smile when I saw last month's bit about the suggestion that the Mens' Shed would impact the Showgrounds. This was never the case, what was under discussion was where it would be located on the Showgrounds and two very well attended meetings of users and neighbours made it clear that the first siting proposal was not supported. So what did we all do, we found another one much more suitable and which the Mens' Shed preferred. With help from the GPA and our Councillors this is proceeding.

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The statement that trucks, traffic, noise and pollution 24 hours a day will have a far greater impact on the showgrounds is not a reasoned one and leads to the presumption that the advocate much prefers all of this to be present going past our school and through the middle of the present townsite where people can't even sit outside businesses to have a coffee in peace. Ever heard of electric vehicles? Very strange some people and a little bit one eyed?

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Our rates might be increasing slightly due to having to pay for increased power costs for all our street lights (not on most of our roads). But the Regulator has stopped that rise anyway – so what is the increase for.

Applications again for turning the northern side of the Toodyay Road into a demolition waste recycling area (65 acres). Recycling good but this rather seems like creeping industrialisation of the Resource area without consulting the people who live here.

North Stoneville has gone very quiet, although the period for WAPC to comment on the plan has now been extended until 13th October 2023.

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Lots of things happening in Gidgegannup and it won't stay the same, but do remember that we all live on subdivisions and perhaps other people want to share the beauty of the Hills.

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And so for a joke

A doctor was addressing a large audience in Oxford "The materials we put into our stomach should have killed most of us sitting here, years ago.

Red meat is full of steroids and dye. Soft drinks corrode your stomach lining. Chinese food is loaded with MSG. High transfat diets can be disastrous and none of us realizes the long-term harm caused by the germs in our drinking water.

But... There is one thing that is the more dangerous to all us and most of us have had it, or will have it. Can anyone here tell me what food it is that causes the most grief and suffering for years after eating it?"

After several seconds of quiet, a 70-year-old man in the front row raised his hand, and softly said, "Wedding Cake".



IMPORTANT: ALL GROUPS AND ASSOCIATIONS PLEASE NOTE

Don't forget to update Community Numbers

Due to changes in telephone services and NBN connections, many people have cancelled their landlines. If your details have changed please send new details to ps.harms@redbrookart.com.au to ensure the community numbers list on the back page of the Gidgegram can be updated.

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Next Meetings: 19th June 2023, at 7.30pm at the Agricultural Hall.

GIDGEGANNUP WEED PROLIFERATION.

Reported that there is a proliferation of Cotton Bush in Gidgegannup. It is now spreading along local roads and being carried by water courses such as the Wooroloo Brook where mature plants are signalling a further proliferation of this weed. It is recommended that plants should be pulled out after covering the seed heads. The plants then to be disposed of.

If cottonbush is noted on Local roads please report the infestations to City.

TELSTRA MOBILE TOWERS:

Still getting reports of bad service from the Reen Road tower. Telstra say that there is nothing wrong with the bandwidth but topography does not help the coverage. There are new routers, etc. that might help. More information on Telstra pages.

LAP (Local Area Planning)

Representatives from the City attended the meeting to discuss the Local Area Plan. Comment can be made by way of the online Survey on the City's website

The second phase of consultation later in the year will then provide the opportunity to discuss how the priorities identified should be implemented in more detail.

These plans are used as part of council's long term infrastructure and budgeting processes. *Your input is most important*, statistically a solid response is needed to ensure a balanced outcome so please spend some time and consider a response.

Have a read of the 2016 LAP at the link below for further information to assist you in your response.

<https://swan.engagementhub.com.au/gidgegannuplap>

EMRC COMMUNITY CONSULTATION – Lease to Woodside for land for ethanol plant;

This proposal will come before the EPA in May it is believed, but a decision will not be reached possibly until the end of 2023. If approved the project will commence in early 2024.

www.emrc.org.au/Profiles/emrc/Assets/ClientData/Business_Plan_for_a_Major_Undertaking__

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Lease arrangement with Woodside for ethanol plant. EPA consultation until 19th May, 2023

NORTH STONEVILLE STRUCTURE PLAN AMENDMENT NO.34

DETERMINATION DATE FOR SP34 EXTENDED: The date for the Western Australian Planning Commission to consider the revised North Stoneville Structure Plan (SP34) has been extended to on or before 13 October.

WAPC have sought an extension of time to consider the revised SP34 structure plan, due to there being a request for further information (data files), linked to the Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA).

Approval was granted for an extension of time for WAPC to reconsider its decision to on or before 13 October 2023.

G.RED HILL AMPHITHEATRE PARKING ON TOODYAY ROAD;

This was reported by a member at our last meeting. City have investigated and reported:

I acknowledge that this parking issue may have occurred during the Bon Iver concert on the 26 February 2023, but because no evidence of roadside parking was observed on during the day I attended I am of the opinion that the owners of the Auditorium are indeed compliant at this time. Despite this I have reminded management of the Auditorium to ensure that they are adhering to their TMP at all times during an event, as well as other specific conditions of their Development Approval, particularly relating to attendee capacity.

We advise community to take a photograph if they see this issue.

CROSSINGS ON WATER COURSES IN ABORIGINAL HERITAGE AREAS;

Concern has been expressed regarding the rights of landowners maintaining and developing crossings on water courses in Aboriginal Heritage areas. These crossings are vital to the management of properties in these areas. Many of the Landowners are farmers and this can significantly affect the management of their properties.

Response from Jessica Shaw's office:

Thanks for your patience with this response.

To my understanding, this bill would not affect residents' private land. You can view more information on the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2021 here: <https://www.wa.gov.au/government/document-collections/aboriginal-cultural-heritage-act-2021> or browse the attached summary sheet.

I encourage you and landowners who are looking to build a bridge, to contact your Local Government which will have the right procedures for planning matters. Including and relevant heritage considerations.

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Thank you for contacting the office of Jessica Shaw MLA.
(Attachments forwarded on request)

AFDRS UPDATE;

Update from City: thanks everyone for your interest and advocacy for the required changes to the new Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS), the City and its' volunteer brigades also continue to advocate for changes to this system, we have received a further update on actions being taken summarised below. Regards Heath

The AFDRS is currently under a National Review to identify areas for improvement. While the National Review will identify additional gaps, the following improvements are already underway:

- Scientific improvements to the Pine, Forest, Grassland and Spinifex Fire Behaviour Models
- Adjustment of parameters and improvement of data inputs
- Addressing delays in the system such as time since rain and soil moisture inputs (this has had a big impact on the Swan Inland North fire weather district with Forest driving the High ratings recently)
- Other process driven improvements are also being considered such as (but not limited to) the use of Fire Weather Subdistrict ratings for land management and activities.

Specific to the rainfall anomaly and the Swan Inland North FWD, I have the following information.

We are aware that there is currently a delay in the impact of rainfall in the AFDRS and that the moisture/rainfall inputs are taking several days to impact Fire Danger Ratings. As a result, some fire behaviour models' sensitivities to wind speed are causing elevated ratings on some days (including some this week).

The AFDRS National Team and Bureau of Meteorology have identified this as a high priority issue for resolution and are currently scoping solutions. They will also be looking at model improvements in regard to moisture/rainfall where possible. Note, the issue was raised sooner than stated below and has been under investigation.

The Bushfire Technical Services team also continues to undertake case studies and analysis on the Swan Inland North Fire Weather District to better understand the drivers of the elevated ratings.

The winter fuel type update will also provide the opportunity to further review the fuel types in the district with some further improvements expected.

STREET LIGHTING BARBARICH DRIVE/ROLAND ROAD INTERSECTION;

After a member's complaint at our last meeting - most of the

intersections on to Roland Road have a street light at the intersection. Barbarich drive has not got one. Could consideration be given to installing a street light at this intersection.

We raised this with the City, and their response:

Thank you for your request about the installation of street light at the intersection of Roland Road and Barbarich drive, Gidgegannup.

The City staff conducted a site inspection and confirmed there is no streetlight at the intersection of Roland Road and Barbarich drive, Gidgegannup. Following an assessment the City have decided to include the installation of streetlight at the intersection of Roland Road and Barbarich drive in the City's capital works program.

NEW GUIDE LINES ON SPRING EXEMPTIONS;

- New guideline provides information for landowners and occupiers of land to determine whether a spring exemption applies under legislation
- Guideline informed by public consultation held over a five-month period in late 2021 and early 2022

A new guideline to provide clarity on spring exemptions has been released, along with a field guide to assist landowners.

The new guideline will help landowners and occupiers of land to understand requirements under existing legislation to determine if they are eligible for a spring exemption.

The information will guide landowners and occupiers of land on the requirements for determining whether a spring rising on a property is exempt from regulation under section 5(1)(a) of the Rights in Water and Irrigation Act (RIWI) 1914.

During the development of the guideline, extensive community engagement was conducted and this feedback along with field testing shaped the final guideline.

The guideline and field guide provide explanations, diagrams and a step-by-step process for landholders. This will help guide self-assessment of the sometimes-complex hydrological considerations to determine whether a spring exemption may apply.

It includes information on how to identify and measure the flow from a spring and how this can be used to inform dam construction that is exempt from regulation under the spring exemption.

For more information and to view the guideline and field guide, please visit www.wa.gov.au/service/natural-resources/water-resources/water-resources

CONSULTATION ON REVISED BUSHFIRE POLICY AND GUIDELINES BEGINS;

- Release of updated policy continues McGowan Government planning reform program
- Revised State Planning Policy 3.7: Bushfire and Planning for Bushfire Guidelines reflect different levels of bushfire risk
- Community feedback will help inform the final policy and guidelines
- Updated policy continues the Government's delivery of 2019 Action Plan for Bushfire Framework Review

The McGowan Government has today released a revised planning policy framework in response to the 2019 Action Plan for Bushfire Framework Review.

The action plan and review of the bushfire policy frameworks were undertaken in response to community concerns about bushfire reforms implemented in 2015.



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The draft State Planning Policy 3.7: Bushfire and Planning for Bushfire Guidelines has been informed by extensive policy development, consultation and testing and is now open for public comment.

Significant changes have been made to the policy and supporting guidelines to incorporate a contemporary best-practice approach to planning in bushfire prone areas and address implementation issues experienced with the previous policy framework.

Comprehensive engagement with the development sector, local government and industry has helped identify key improvements to the State's bushfire planning framework which include:

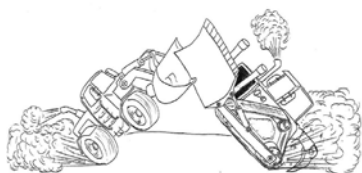
- a stronger emphasis on considering bushfire requirements in early planning stages;
- new policy provisions to apply to different categories on the draft Map of Bush Fire Prone Areas;
- introduction of an assessment of the broader landscape surrounding a development site, as a means of identifying locations with an unacceptable level of bushfire risk;
- an outcomes-based approach to facilitate improved flexibility and understanding by decision-makers; and
- clearer guidance and a more user-friendly format as the guidelines are now divided into sections based on the planning stage

To make a submission on the draft State Planning Policy 3.7: Bushfire and Planning for Bushfire Guidelines visit: <https://consultation.dplh.wa.gov.au/>. Comments close on Monday 17 July 2023.

A draft Map of Bush Fire Prone Areas has also been released to assist in discussions on the draft policy and guidelines. The Department of Fire and Emergency Services will be seeking feedback on the draft map in the second half of 2023, in order to inform a final map, with submissions to be made via bushfiremap@dfes.wa.gov.au.

More information on planning and building requirements in bushfire prone areas is available at: <https://www.dplh.wa.gov.au> and www.commerce.wa.gov.au/building-and-energy.

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Licences and works approvals application/s for public comment - Red Hill Quarry

Notification received of a works approval application by Hanson to crush building materials / concrete at the Red Hill Quarry.

The works approval application is in relation to the following activities:

- Establish a 26.01 ha solid waste (concrete) disposal and processing area within the Red Hill Quarry prescribed premise boundary
 - Crushing, sorting and stockpiling of concrete material (maximum of approximately 100,000 tonnes per year)
- <https://der.wa.gov.au/our-work/licences-and-works-approvals/lwa-applications/item/18430-w6797-2023-1>
- Submission has been made by the GPA objecting to this proposal as we see this as industrialisation of the Resource area by stealth and this needs a far greater degree of consultation.

REUSING WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S FOOD WASTE FOR IMPROVED FARMING;

The Federal and Western Australian Labor Governments have co-invested \$11.25 million for 3 new organic recycling infrastructure projects that will divert up to 275,000 tonnes of Western Australia's food organic and garden organic (FOGO) waste from landfill each year and convert it into compost.

- The new facilities are located to the north, east and south of Perth and will support 146 construction jobs and 98 ongoing positions.
- Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council will receive \$2 million to build a new FOGO processing plant north-east of Midland at the Red Hill Waste Management Facility, which processes organic waste from five councils. The \$18 million project will initially process 60,000 tonnes of organic waste each year, creating 110 jobs during construction and 50 ongoing positions. It will be scaled up over time to provide 100,000 tonnes.
- C-Wise Holdings Pty Ltd will receive \$5.75 million to build a new organic carbon recycling facility in East Keralup near Mandurah. The \$28.61 million facility will process 100,000 tonnes of organic waste each year.
- Joint funding of \$3.5 million will expand the existing Go Organics facility at Boonanarring, north of Gingin. The \$7.42 million project will support the rollout of FOGO north of Perth and process 75,000 tonnes of organic waste each year.

HORSE SIGNAGE TILDEN PARK;

Main Roads WA has approved the proposal from City staff to install additional horse warning signs in Tilden Park. Main Roads will take responsibility for updating the existing signage and installing additional signage according to the approved plans.

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Project Update

Chalice in the Community

Chalice has had a busy few months in the local community, attending and supporting a range of events and groups.

The Chalice team participated in the Wheatbelt Futures Forum in Northam last month, which gave great insight into the opportunities and issues facing the region. The team also participated in the Bindoon Primary School 'Grow Yourself with Gratitude Day' earlier this year. Our environmental staff enjoyed chatting with students and parents about their knowledge of local animals and vegetation.

Chalice were proud sponsors of the Toodyay Moondyne Festival in May and also recently supported the Northam Toy Library to expand their selection of toys, allowing the group to provide better resources for local families.

We also wrapped up the first of our Local Voices community surveys. Thanks again to everyone who participated, and we look forward to sharing the insights over the coming months.



Blue Tree Project

The Chalice team painted a tree at Gonneville last month as part of the Blue Tree initiative.

The Blue Tree Project aims to help spark difficult conversations and encourage people to speak up when battling mental health concerns. By spreading the paint and spreading the message that "it's OK to not be OK", we can help break down the stigma that's still attached to mental health.

Chalice's Employee Assistance Program provides support for our team and families through access to mental health providers BSS Psychology. Well done to the Gonneville team and contractors who initiated this important conversation.

To learn more about the Blue Tree Project: www.bluetreeproject.com.au

Latest Community Funding Announced

Chalice was pleased to receive a record number of Community Investment applications for our February to March 2023 funding period. Chalice's Community Investment Program has been running since 2021, and is designed to provide funding to deliver positive long-term benefits and support local initiatives.

Our latest round of funding will help support over 14 different community groups and initiatives in the shires surrounding our Gonneville Project, including Toodyay, Northam, Chittering and Goomalling.

Our next application period runs from August to September 2023, and submissions can be lodged online from 1 August. Chalice is specifically looking to support projects that fall under our focus areas of Education, Environment and Community, up to the value of \$10,000.

To view our latest round of successful applicants visit:
www.chalicemining.com/community-investment



Want to learn more about the Gonneville Nickel-Copper-PGE Project?

Our newly updated Info Sheet covers all the key detail such as location, project stage and other FAQ's including employment opportunities and logistics.



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Standards for judging spring fruits and vegetables

Exhibiting fruit and vegetables at shows is a popular activity. The requirements for exhibition at each show may be different and entrants should check the show guidelines before preparing an entry. Information on possible show requirements for different fruit and vegetables is provided.

Each show has different requirements and the program should be examined a few weeks before judging. Exhibitors must follow the specifications in the show schedule closely. These may include the type and number required in the exhibit, as well as specifications on variety, colour, size, shape and presentation.

Crops, especially vegetables, should be irrigated before harvesting for the show.

Produce should be arranged attractively on plates or directly on to the table. Show specifications should be followed where they describe how an exhibit is to be presented. Non-compliance with the requirements set for the category can result in disqualification, despite the quality of the produce.



Fruit and vegetables should be presented fresh and at the optimum eating stage, unless otherwise specified.

Judging - In judging fruits and vegetables, quality is the most important factor. The judge must consider all conditions which influence quality — maturity, freshness, internal characteristics and freedom from disease, insect damage and blemishes.

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SMALL FARM FIELD DAY;

We are still looking forward to the event this Sunday and the weather is going to be fine. We have a record number of exhibitors this year and the Show grounds will be full up from end to end.

We hope you get along to the event and have a great time. There is something for everyone and we will put in a full report next month. Let us know what you thought of the day and how it can be improved. What you liked and any suggestions for next year.

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Around the Paddock by The Farmer

Not a lot of rain for the year so far, but enough to get the grasses up and running.

A bit more would be handy to finish off the seasonal work, though. But, don't forget just because the grass is there it will not be enough for any livestock to maintain a healthy condition.

Supplementary feeding is a must now the colder months are approaching. If feeding out hay, just check to see if there is any waste after a couple of days.

Of course if not enough is put out, then the animals could start to lose weight and then hungry animals may become a problem.

Seen a few lambs around lately, so the ewes will need to be fed sufficient amounts of quality feed to maintain them and to give a good quality milk supply. An important point that is sometimes overlooked with new born stock – keep a safe distance away from them.

If the mothers think that there is a danger to their offspring, they will in some cases charge. It doesn't matter how tame or quite you think these “pets” may be natural instinct will see them do what they can to protect their young.

Give them a couple of weeks to settle and usually then when approaching them in a quite and slow manner all should be good.

Of course if during the birth process something goes amiss, and it is past your expertise to assist, then a Vet or more knowledgeable person should be used.

Moving slowly and quietly talking to them, often reduces the fear for them and once they realise that you are trying to help, then usually all goes well.

Are you planting pasture or a hay crop?

For pasture, choose the type of seeds you want to grow, rye, clovers or a combination of both.

There are a couple of good commercial mixes available and it saves the hassle of having to make up the mix yourself.

A handy rye grass that has been available of a few years now “Safeguard” it is rye grass tax free and it let go to seed will cross pollinate with other ryes removing over time the ARG. It is one I always insist must be added into the mix.

For a good coverage pasture mix needs to be spread at about 15kg odd to the acre (old school).

Straight SuperPhos or Super Potash are the best fertiliser to use in this scenario.

A super spreader can be used to do the job, but if a combine seeder is available, even better still.

Keep in mind these are very fine seeds and don't need to be buried.



Left on the surface and then using paddock harrows to cover them will generally give them a good chance of sprouting.

If growing a cereal hay crop, oats or wheat, should be put out with a slow release type of fertiliser.

The same sowing system can be used as for pasture, but this time the seeds should be buried, but not too deep.

For a hay crop to be a success top dressing with urea at about 6 to 8 weeks after germination should ensure plenty of hay, of course the only other ingredient that is required is rain at the right time of course.

A clean, smooth paddock is a must for hay mowing and baling.

After seeding get to and pick up any stones and wood that may have floated to the surface. It is always much easier to do before germination has taken place.

If a paddock roller is available then this will ease the pain of having to handpick. It will generally leave the paddock with a fairly smooth surface for mowing and baling.

There is nothing worse then bouncing over ruts and corrugations in the hay season.

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A big thank you to all the Environmental volunteers who came along to the busy bee on the 30th of April.

We had a big clean up of the area we were focussing on followed by a casual walk through the reserve.

The group discovered plenty of interesting things on the way and it was great to have children happy to come along with us.

During May a couple of us prepared the holes for planting, did some weed control on bridal creeper, fleabane, plantain, cottonbush etc.

On the 21st of May volunteers turned up again for another great morning. We got 350 tube stock planted and protected. The weather was perfect and everyone contributed to this great cause.

Our goal is to improve the integrity of a degraded section of an old wetland and with time we will see remnant vegetation return.

We went looking for some bunny orchids but were not able to locate any. Another slow wander along the track did reveal many features that are always in our bushland. Sometimes you just need to take your time and there is always plenty to see.

Another planting day will take place on Sunday the 2nd of July at 8am. (Bring your wellington boots if you have some!)

If you value our wonderful environment why not come along and help out or just come along to see what we do.

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We have the year worked out with some great dances organised through the year. When you see them advertised come along and join in the fun for the night.

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Postal Address:.....

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Please forward your completed form and subscription to:

The Treasurer, Gidgegannup Agricultural Society Inc.,

PO Box 22, Gidgegannup WA, 6083

Email: treasurer@gidgeagsociety.com.au

For EFT payment on line:

BSB: 633108 ACCT: 120250147 Reference: Your Name.

Children attending Primary & Secondary schools are included in Family Membership.

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The average increase for residential, commercial and industry rates is 3.75 per cent, which is significantly less than current levels of inflation.

The increase equates to, on average an additional \$54 annually per household, which is equivalent to approximately a dollar a week. Pensioners in the City will pay even less, with a 50 per cent discount of up to \$750 on their rates.

Your rates explained

Rates are a simple and effective way of paying for the development and improvement of vital community services, such as roads, footpaths, parks, libraries and leisure centres - just to name a few. The Annual Budget Newsletter(PDF, 851KB)Opens in new window outlines some of these services.

Farmland Rating Category

The City of Swan offers a farmland differential rating category which relates to land where the predominant purpose for which it is held or used is farmland.

The Farmland differential rate applies to all properties carrying on farming activities in line with the City's Farmland Guidelines. It is intended that this differential rate will foster and encourage farming and horticultural activities. If you think your property may be eligible, please complete the farmland rating category application and guidelines(PDF, 102KB)Opens in new window (within 42 days of the rate notice issue date).

For more information please read the farmland rating category application and guidelines above, or contact the City on 9267 9267.

Certain concessions may apply if you're an eligible pensioner/senior, own farmland with a specified purpose, own a residential heritage listed property or if you are eligible for a sporting club concession.

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Gidgegannup Community Call Out

On WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY 2023, your chance to share your views on the planned EastLink WA/ Orange Route/ Perth Adelaide National Highway (PANH) with the City of Swan closed.

The Gidgegannup Local Area Plan is now open and consists of a fifteen question survey to let the City of Swan know what we consider to be of greatest local importance currently. This will inform where the City allocates funding and what it will advocate for over the next 5 years.

You can complete the survey here:

<http://swan.wa.gov.au/gidgegannuplap>

It only takes a matter of minutes but can really make a difference. You can allocate up to 10 points for an option, or across options...

Allocating as many points as you wish to the EastLink option means that it will be interpreted as being a high priority and therefore of great significance to the community

The most important thing is to explain your views on EastLink in the "Other" section to make your position on it clear to the City when the responses are analysed?

Here's just some of what we know:

The City of Swan publicly SUPPORT the construction of EastLink

There are MANY people in the Gidgegannup community and beyond who object strongly to the construction of EastLink

There is not just one but TWO massive "freeway style" bridged interchanges planned for Gidgegannup at Reserve Road and Lilydale Road, not to mention all of the entry and exit ramps, signage, access points, bike paths, and footpaths required.

680 hectares (a conservative calculation based on the scale of NorthLink, the same scale planned for EastLink from Midland to Gidge) would likely be 100% cleared should EastLink be approved for construction. This is FOUR times the size of the whole area of Lake Leschenaultia.

The bypass effect is real. EastLink would effectively provide a bypass for travellers between Midland and Northam. People would likely not stop at the bakery or for fuel if there is no reason to go through the townsite.

The Showgrounds would be directly impacted by EastLink if it reaches the construction phase, as will the equestrian Cross-Country course.



At 80kms long, it would be SIX times the length of the planned Perth Freight Link (Roe 8, 9 & 10).

At its smallest point (most likely 100m) it would have the same width as Optus Stadium

The project is NOT currently funded for construction, and your voice is so important in preventing this outdated \$1billion + highway plan from coming TO and THROUGH your community.

We all deserve a say in securing the preservation of the idyllic place we all choose to live together, for our children and future generations, and this is our chance

The City Of Swan has the power to put place and people ahead of arbitrary road construction that achieves no substantive long term improvements for local residents, the environment, health or heritage.

If you have questions!

Ask your neighbours here in a Rethink EastLink (Orange Route) Facebook group:

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Visit our website <http://www.rethinkeastlink.org>

Email us here: rethink.eastlink@gmail.com

Contact the EastLink WA Integrated Project Team on 138 138 or enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au

Visit the City Of Swan stall at the Gidgegannup Small Farm Field day on Sunday 28th May to discuss the Gidgegannup LAP further

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